

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Meeting Minutes June 27, 2018 3rd Floor Jury Room, Courthouse Building 12:00 p.m.

Mission: The CJCC exists to promote the safety of the citizens of Lewis and Clark County, the efficient and just treatment of offenders, the protection and healing of victims, and to work toward prevention of crime and the reduction of recidivism.

1. Call to Order & Reading of the Mission

Chief McGee called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m. and noted both the Chair and Vice Chair were absent. **There was not a quorum**.

Members present: Chief Troy McGee, Sheriff Leo Dutton, Christin Thennis, Mayor James Schell, Melissa Broch for Leo Gallagher, Cameron Boster for Suzanne Seburn, and Sharon Tregidga.

Others in attendance included: Sgt. Scott Ferguson, Marshall Gingery, Tom Cordingly, Kiley Gage, Jason Sexton, Jason Grimmis, Jocelyn Olsen, Roger Baltz, Thomas Jodoin, Curt Chisholm, and Captain Alan Hughes.

2. Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the May 23, 2018 meeting could not be approved because there was no quorum.

3. Update and Q&A on Pretrial Services Program – Jason Sexton, Pretrial Officer Review of Pretrial Services Violation Response sheet

Mr. Sexton reported that Pretrial Services currently has between 60 and 70 clients. He spoke of the use of bond and the correlation with assignments to Pretrial Services. He explained the reporting process for individuals in Pretrial Services who violate their conditions.

Discussion ensued among members and others present regarding the correlation between the number of individuals incarcerated in Lewis and Clark County Detention Center and the number of individuals in Pretrial Services. It was suggested that the success of the program not be defined by a reduction in the incarcerated population.

4. Update on Restorative Justice and Court Services Department – Jocelyn Olsen, RJ&CS Assistant

A. RFP for Criminal Justice data collection, analysis, recommendations, and plans Three (3) responses to the RFP were received. A panel is being developed to review the RFPs and make a final recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners. CAC voiced interest in participating on the panel.

B. Mental Health Services in the Jail

Jadin VanSteenvort has accepted the position of the full-time mental health therapist in the jail. His position is funded through Western.

C. Early Childhood Intervention

A contract to fund early childhood intervention will go before the Board of County Commissioners in early July. The contract designates one organization to oversee the Early Childhood Coalition, research promising practices, and establish baseline data.

D. Volunteer Program / Inmate Programs

No new updates for this program until after the Detention Center renovation.

E. Website: http://www.lccountymt.gov/rjcs/cjcc.html

The new webpage for Restorative Justice and Court Services is now accessible and all are encouraged to visit.

5. Citizens Advisory Council –

A. General CAC Update - Curt Chisolm, CAC Chair

The CAC is still waiting for Board of County Commissioners to approve the jail standards.

B. Update on "Handle with Care" program

The CAC plans to have further discussion regarding "Handle with Care" and will report back to the CJCC next month with a recommendation regarding implementation.

6. Public Comment

Mr. Roger Baltz, County CAO, provided an updated timeline regarding the Lewis and Clark County Detention Center remodel and moving of Law Enforcement offices into the Law and Justice Center in the 406 building.

7. Next Meeting: July 25, 2018

8. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Minutes approved on July 25, 2018.